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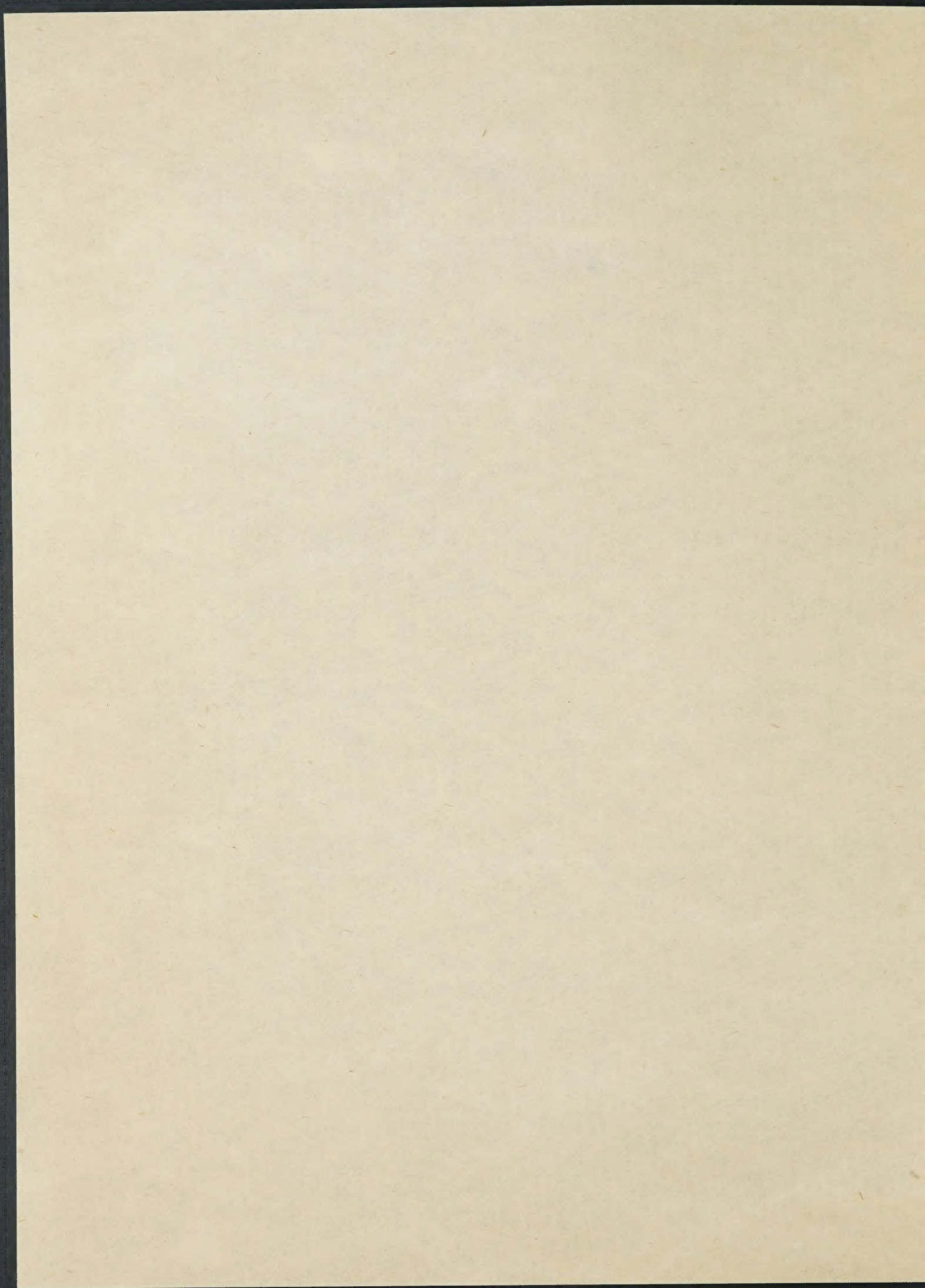


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CLEVELAND HOUSE,

ST-JAMES'-SQUARE,

245, Oxford Street, W-1.

LONDON, S.W.

17th July, 1917.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

I have your letter of June 13th in reference to Sapper R.W.I. Urquhart, of the Divisional Signalling Company, Canadian Engineers, whose mother desires his return to Canada on the grounds that he is needed on the farm, and that there are certain papers requiring his signature which cannot be signed until he returns.

In the present urgent need of men, circumstances which would justify a man's being permitted to return to Canada must be very grave indeed. If there is no way in which the papers in question can be executed over here, and if the farm cannot be worked, otherwise than by Sapper Urquhart being returned, he should be supplied with evidence of all the facts, and himself apply to his own Commanding Officer so that the case will go before the proper Military Authorities for their consideration *under the policy already laid down.*

Yours sincerely,

George H. Perley.

Sir Robert A. Falconer, K.C.M.G.
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

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TO :-

27th July, 1917.

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A.M.D.

Dear Sir Robert,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 30th, 1917, and note your suggestion as regards new Officers for No. 4 Canadian General Hospital.

The question of Major V.E.Henderson's transferring to the Medical Service will be taken up with that Officer and if he agrees to this transfer, it will be carried out.

As regards Captain D.E.Staunton Wishart at present with the Royal Army Medical Corps, I desire to say that I shall take no steps at the present time to have him transferred to the C.A.M.C., through this Office, but should his period of engagement with the R.A.M.C. terminate shortly, and if he applies to us to join our Service, he will be accepted, and I shall post him to No. 4 General Hospital. You will understand that my reason for this is that I don't wish to take any action from this office which would show that I am trying to persuade Officers to leave the R.A.M.C.

Captain John McCollum, now at the special Hospital, Ramsgate, will be posted to No. 4 General, on its taking over the new Hospital at Basingstoke.

In regard to Drs. Cleland, Boyd and Goldie - if these gentlemen will join the C.A.M.C. and come Overseas, they will be posted for duty with the Toronto University Unit. I would recommend that they make application through the regular channels to Ottawa for commissions in the C.A.M.C., with a view to taking up duty in England.

When the Unit returns, no doubt there will be a great many officers that Colonel Hendry would like to have with his Unit, and every effort will be made to meet both yours and Colonel Hendry's wishes in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

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August 27th, 1917

Sir George Perley,
Overseas Military Forces of Canada,
245 Oxford Street,
London, England.

My dear Sir George Perley:

Professor J. J. Wackenzie was taken to England for medical service during the present summer on the understanding that you would grant him leave to return and undertake his professorial work at the opening of our winter session. We shall need him badly, and will you be kind enough to give orders that he be released so as to be here by the end of September?

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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October 27th, 1917

The Acting Overseas Canadian Minister of Militia,
London, England.

Sir:

The University of Toronto and the Hospitals associated with it find themselves in extreme difficulty owing to the number of surgeons and physicians who have been sent on active service. You have been kind enough to return one or two of them who have been serving at the front in order to do temporary service at home. I now wish to make an appeal to you to return for services to the University and the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, Dr. L. Bruce Robertson.

The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children has sent overseas some thirty-five members of its attending staff, including house surgeons, which has left it in a very depleted condition. The military work and hospital duties which the present staff are engaged in is passing beyond their working capacity. Their chief surgeon, Dr. C. L. Stern, who has been serving overseas has been recalled by the Militia for duty in Canada, but will not return to the Hospital or the University, I understand. In the near future, Dr. A. F. Callie, who is the chief orthopedic surgeon, leaves for military service in England. Not only will the Hospital for Sick Children suffer but also the orthopedic work that is necessary for returned soldiers.

In these circumstances I would ask that Dr. L. Bruce Robertson should be recalled. He entered the Militia at the Commencement of

the war and is now at the front on active service. His extensive training in orthopedic surgery warrants my requesting his return.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Min.10-R-126.

5th November 1917.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

I duly received your letter of September 28th in regard to Captain E.F. Risdon, whose return to Canada you desire for the purpose of resuming his work at the Dental College, Toronto.

I have taken the matter up with the military authorities, and am now informed that approval has been given for Captain Risdon to proceed to Canada until April 1st 1918, and arrangements are being made for him to sail by the next available ship.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President University of Toronto,
TORONTO, C A N A D A.

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Ady General
overseas Forces
Arms House
Regent St
London

November 7th, 1917

The Adjutant General,
Overseas Forces,
Argyll House,
Regent Street, London, ENGLAND.

Sir:

Owing to the necessity of obtaining a supply of medical men for active service the Military Authorities at home have been obliged to undertake to institute a special reserve corps of selected medical students in the Universities of the Dominion who shall be exempt from being drafted for ordinary military duty. The selected corps is to contain medical students they will follow the medical courses, not merely the last three.

In view of this action on the part of the Military Authorities in Canada it is only just that medical students of the Universities who have gone overseas after finishing their first or second years should be put on no less favourable ground than their fellows who have remained at home. Some of these men have been away for one, two, or three years, and if they are detained longer in the contingent ranks they may find themselves unable to resume their medical studies on their return. To give them therefore the same advantage as the students of the medical faculties in the Universities of Canada I should urge that these medical men should be allowed to return from active service and complete their courses as soon as possible.

Two names have recently been given to me:

Langdon C. Harris, Mechanical Transport, C.I.S.C. and

John Philip Hubbard, Private in the 4th S.A.C.

Yours sincerely,

President.

August 1917

Mr. George Bailey,
General Manager of Atlantic
Coastal Steel Works,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Dear Mr. Bailey:

I am pleased to hear from
you and that you are well. I am
in the same way. I am well and
hope to hear from you again soon.
I am sure you are well and
hope to hear from you again soon.
I am sure you are well and
hope to hear from you again soon.

Very truly,
Your friend,

President.

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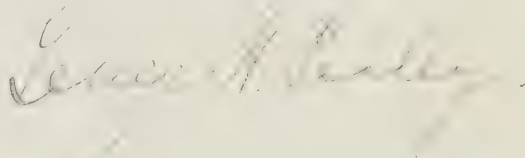
LONDON, W. 1.

8th December, 1917.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

I duly received your cable of November 24th, stating that the University of Toronto wished to withdraw their request for the return to Canada of Captain E.F.Risdon, and I have taken the necessary steps to cancel the arrangements made for this Officer to proceed to Canada.

Yours sincerely,



Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President, University of Toronto,
TORONTO, Canada.

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LONDON, W. 1.

11th December, 1917.

The President,
University of Toronto,
TORONTO. Canada.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Novr. 7th regarding the return to Canada of medical students who have finished their first or second year's studies.

The policy by which we are governed here at the present time is that all medical students who have completed two years of a four years course, or three years of a five years course, at a recognized University and who, it is certified, are able to complete their studies in 24 months, may be returned for that purpose if they so desire.

The extension of this policy to cover the case of medical students of no matter which year is not approved by these Headquarters unless this meets with the approval of, and is requested by the Minister of Militia, Ottawa, with whom it is suggested that this matter be taken up.

Yours truly,

Herbert Holson

Major., D.A.A.G.
for Brigadier-General.
Adjutant-General, Canadians.

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December 14th, 1917

Surgeon-General Foster,

D.M.S.,

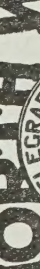
133 Oxford Street, London, England.

Dear General Foster:

There are two matters that I should like to bring to your attention with regard to No. 4 Canadian General Hospital. In the first place, I beg to recommend to you very strongly two appointments to the Hospital of Dr. Roscoe Crahan and Dr. W. A. Scott, who are on the staff of the Toronto General Hospital, and Captain Eric Clarke, who has been at Beaumont Hospital, and is now on leave in this country. Lt.-Colonel Hendry has asked for two of these, that is to say, Dr. Roscoe Crahan and Dr. Clarke, and we strongly recommend also the third, Dr. W. A. Scott. The addition of these three gentlemen would add a great deal of strength to the Hospital.

In the second place I wish to ask you to grant leave of absence to Lt.-Colonel Hendry in such a manner as his services can be spared in order that he may visit Toronto for the purpose of discussing with us in person the personnel of the Hospital and financial arrangements. I have no doubt that if Lt.-Colonel Hendry were able to come to Toronto himself he would be able to pick out men for his staff and certainly he would give us personal information which would be very helpful in enabling us to co-operate with him to the best advantage. I hope very strongly that you will be able to grant this leave to Lt.-Colonel Hendry.

Yours sincerely,



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March 30th, 1918

Honourable Sir Edward Carson, M.P.,
Overseas Canadian Minister of Militia,
London, England.

Dear Sir:

The attendance of medical students in the second and third years of the University of Toronto is very large and is likely to be larger even next year. To find it impossible to secure proper skilled help for our laboratory work, and in these circumstances will you be good enough to give orders that leave of absence shall be granted to Sergeant F. L. Robinson, who is now serving as assistant in the Pathological Laboratory in No. 4 Canadian General Hospital (University of Toronto) at Passchendaele, in order that he may come to Toronto to do laboratory work in connection with the training of students, all of whom in the second and third years are under military supervision?

Colonel A. F. Huxley is quite willing that the transfer should be made. We should be obliged to you if it were possible to arrange for him to arrive in Toronto in the early part of July.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

June 4th, 1918

The Honourable Sir Edward Keop, K.C.M.G.,
Canadian Minister of Militia Overseas.

Dear Sir Edward:

Would you be kind enough to give orders that Captain C. G. Irie, now or recently attached to the Ontario Government Hospital at Orpington, should be granted leave of absence to return to Toronto not later than the first of October in order that he may resume his work in the Department of Pathological Chemistry at the University of Toronto?

The recall of Captain Irie is most necessary by the fact that Dr. Caspell who has been taking his place has been ordered overseas and in the present circumstances it is impossible to secure any one else to take his place. Captain Irie has now been on active service for several years, and if we are to continue to train in medicine it is necessary for us to have him as a teacher, seeing that since he left our Department has been greatly depleted by the withdrawal of so many men for active service.

It is not need his immediate recall by should like him to arrive home towards the end of September.

Yours sincerely,

President.